Mountain Weather Forecast

Mourne Mountains

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Wednesday 09 Mar 2022 until 23:59 on Thursday 10 Mar 2022

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 08 Mar 2022 at 16:33

Confidence: High for a changeable, mainly unsettled week with periods of very strong, generally southerly to southeasterly winds. Medium for details from Friday.

Headline for Wednesday 09 Mar 2022: Rain turning increasingly to summit snow through the afternoon, with severe gale or storm force winds, quickly easing from midday.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 09 Mar 2022

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Medium Likelihood

Storm force winds
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 700m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Cloudy	Cloudy	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Sleet	Light snow	Fog
Precipitation probability							
<05%	<05%	<05%	90%	90%	90%	70%	20%

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Weather: Dry overnight conditions with isolated hill fog, before a band of rain moves east across the area from mid-Wednesday morning, affecting all of the area through the day, and turning heavy at times. From mid-afternoon, rain will start to fall as sleet or snow down to around 700 m. Turning drier through the evening, but with some lingering hill fog. Severe gale or storm force winds through the morning, quickly easing in the afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 700m: 60% overnight into Wednesday morning, lowering 30% by midday as rain and hill snow move in, and 10% early afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Excellent visibility away from isolated hill fog, with patchy cloud with bases 600-800 m overnight. Visibility lowering moderate in rain through the morning, and very poor in snow or hill fog, with cloud bases widely 300-500 m, and occasionally 200 m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	41/56 S	48/66 S	53/74 S	53/73 S	27/36 W	23/31 NW	20/27 N	14/21 NE	15/20 N
300	18/34 S	25/43 S	28/49 S	29/51 S	16/27 W	16/26 NW	13/22 N	10/15 NE	9/15 N
Valley	15/33 S	21/42 S	24/48 S	25/49 S	14/26 W	14/24 NW	12/21 NW	9/16 NE	8/15 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	3/-5	3/-5	4/-5	4/-4	2/-4	1/-6	0/-6	0/-5	0/-5
300	5/-0	6/0	6/0	6/1	5/1	3/-2	2/-3	2/-2	2/-2
Valley	6/2	7/2	7/2	8/3	6/2	4/0	3/-1	3/-0	3/-1
<< Freezing Level*	900m	1000m	1100m	1400m	1400m	1000m	600m	900m	900m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Snow and risk of storm force winds combining to give extremely hazardous conditions through Wednesday.

Forecast for Thursday 10 Mar 2022

Weather: Cloudy with occasional hill fog affecting the region until early afternoon, before clearing northeast to leave a drier end to the day with hazy sunshine. Lighter winds through the morning, but southerly to southeasterly winds strengthen through the afternoon, with gales or severe gales summit winds through the evening.

Maximum wind: Southerly to southeasterly winds strengthening through the day, peaking mean 30-40 mph gusting 45-55 mph through Thursday evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 700m: Generally 40% due to occasional hill fog through the morning and early afternoon, but 90% by late-afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Very poor in hill fog with cloud bases 150-300 m during the morning and early-afternoon, improving to very good with mainly high based clouds.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 2 celsius increasing to plus 8 celsius.
At 700m: Zero increasing to plus 1 celsius.
Freezing level: 600 m increasing to near summits later in the afternoon.

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